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<b>REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL</b>  Address to: Commissioner for Patents Box RCE Washington, DC 20231	Application Number	09/673,202
	Filing Date	December 4, 2000
	First Named Inventor	S. Shimada
	Art Unit	2676
	Examiner Name	A. Caschera
	Attorney Docket No.	09793822-0139

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114 of the above-identified application. Request for Continued Examination (RCE) practice under 37 CFR 1.114 does not apply to any utility or plant application filed prior to June 8, 1995, or to any design application. See Instruction Sheet for RCEs (not to be submitted to the USPTO) on page 2.

**1. Submission required under 37 CFR 1.114**

- a. ☐ Previously submitted
- i. ☐ Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 CFR 1.116 previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_  
(Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered).
- ii. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_
- iii. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_
- b. ☒ Enclosed
- i. ☒ Amendment/Reply
- iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
- ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
- iv. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

**2. Miscellaneous**

- a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 CFR 1.103(c) for a period of \_\_\_\_\_ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 CFR 1.17(l) required)
- b. ☐ Other

**3. Fees** The RCE fee under 37 CFR 1.17(e) is required by 37 CFR 1.114 when the RCE is filed.

- a. ☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge any discrepancies, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 19-3140
- i. ☐ RCE fee required under 37 CFR 1.17(e)
- ii. ☐ Extension of time fee (37 CFR 1.136 and 1.17)
- iii. ☐ Other
- b. ☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge the filing fee of \$ 790.00 (the RCE filing fee) to American Express credit card. Form 2038 is attached for that purpose.

**WARNING:** Information on this form may become public. Credit card information should not be included on this form. Provide credit card information and authorization on PTO-2038.

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Dated: July 25, 2005

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NEW DOCKET NO.: 09793822-0139  
SERIAL NO.: 09/673,202 GROUP ART UNIT: 2676  
DATE FILED: December 4, 2000 EXAMINER: A. Caschera  
INVENTION: "CURVE GENERATING APPARATUS AND CURVE GENERATING METHOD, AND PROGRAM RECORDING MEDIUM"

**AMENDMENT "D" ACCOMPANYING RCE**

Commissioner for Patents

P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

SIR:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

Additional claim fee is required.

The fee has been calculated as shown below.

CLAIMS AS AMENDED						
	(2) CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT		(4) HIGHEST NO. PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	(5) PRESENT EXTRA	(6) RATE	(7) ADL FEE
TOTAL CLAIMS		MINUS		--	( ) X 9.00 ( ) X 18.00	0.00
INDEP. CLAIMS		MINUS		--	( ) X 39.00 ( ) X 80.00	0.00
Application amended to contain any multiple dependent claims not previously paid for.				( ) YES (X) NO	( ) \$135.00 ( ) \$270.00 ONE TIME	
TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT					\$0.00	

☒ Applicant petitions the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to extend this time for response to the Office Action dated January 25, 2005 for 3 months so that the period for response is extended to July 25, 2005.

☒ Postal money order nos. 277 and 8288 in the total amount of \$ 1020.00 are enclosed for the extension fee.

☐ A check in the amount of \$     is attached to cover the additional claim fee.

☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or to credit any overpayment to account No. 19-3140. A duplicate of this sheet is enclosed.  
When phoning re this application, please call 312/876-8000 - Ext. 2606.

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This Amendment "D" accompanies an RCE and is filed in response to the Final Office Action of January 25, 2005. Please reconsider the application in view of the amendment and remarks presented below.